

Docket No. : 576-008

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE
PATENT OPERATIONS

In re Application of:

) Group Art Unit: 1645

Massimo Porro

) Examiner:Minnifield, N.

Serial No.: 09/124,280

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For: VACCINES FOR PREVENTION OF GRAM-NEGATIVE INFECTIONS AND
ENDOTOXIN RELATED DISEASE

New York, NY 10036
January 15, 2002

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, DC 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the Office Action that was mailed August 15, 2001. Kindly amend the above identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claims 25, 42-46, 49, 50 and 55 as follows:

25. (amended) A vaccine for preventing gram-negative infections which comprises a complex obtained by combining LPS free or in conjugate form with a stoichiometric excess of a peptide on a weight basis relative to said LPS wherein the peptide comprises:

Cys- (Lys-Phe-Leu)₃-Lys-Cys

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42. (amended) A vaccine for preventing gram-negative infections